



Metallindustrins omställning

Innovativa lösningar för en fossilfri framtid

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”Swerim bedriver industrinära forskning och utveckling kring metaller och deras väg från råmaterial till färdig produkt.”



”Vår vision
är en fossilfri
och cirkulär
industri.”



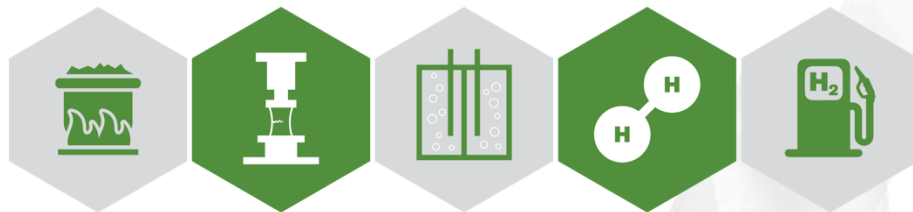
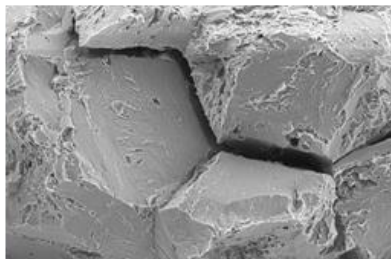
Kort om Swerim

- Oberoende industriforskningsinstitut
- Cirka 190 medarbetare
- Två huvudorter: Luleå och Stockholm
- Omkring 250 miljoner kronor i omsättning
- Unika test- och demonstrationsanläggningar
- Kunder över hela världen
- Ägs av industrin (80%) och RISE (20%)



Lång tradition – den äldsta delen grundades "Metallografiska institutet" (1921) samt MEFOS (1963)

National Hydrogen Research Centre for Metallic Materials



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The role of Swerim for a Fossil free Sweden 2045



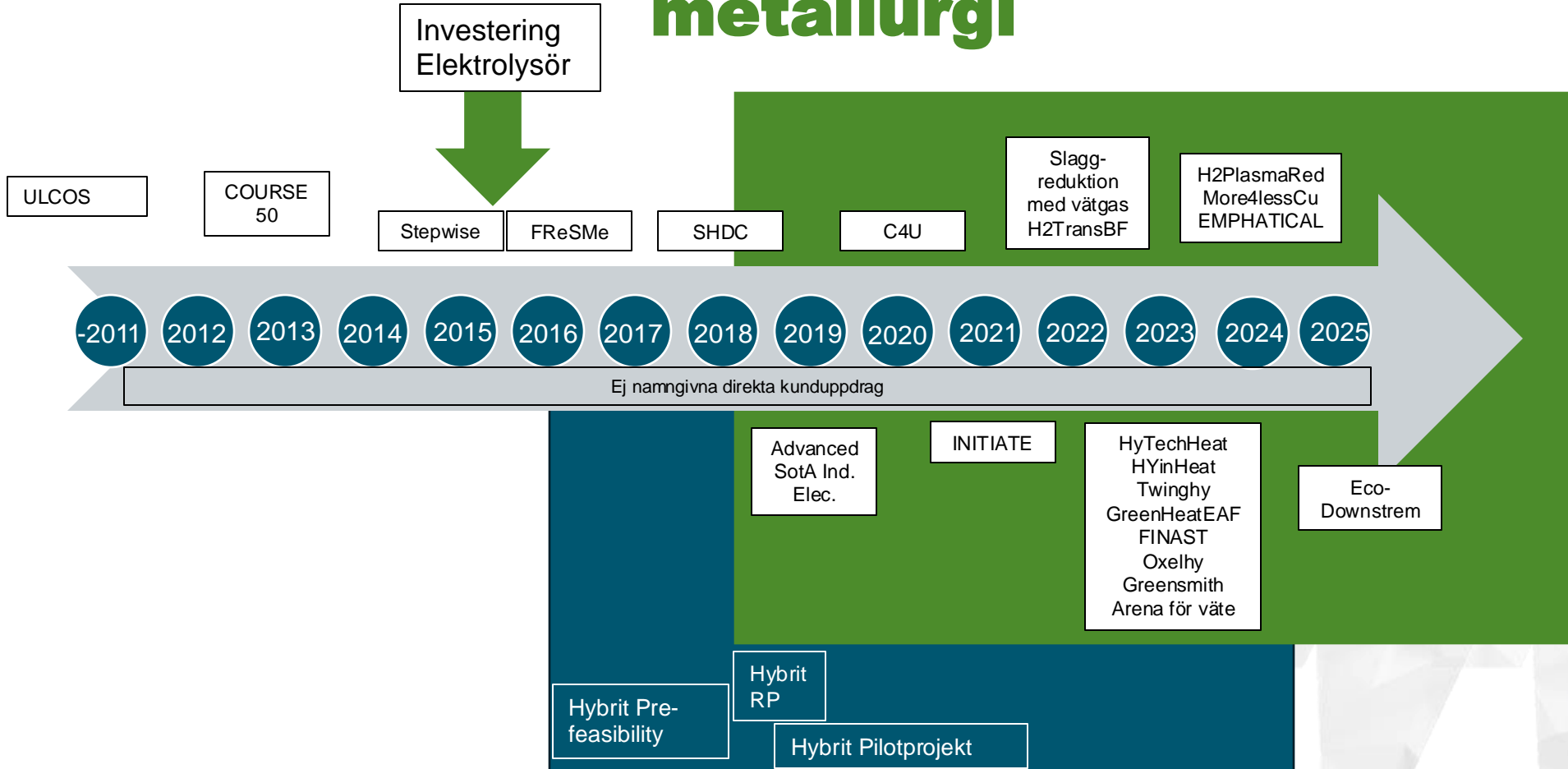
Swerim and Hydrogen Research

- Expertise on hydrogen production, processing and use in metallurgical applications as well as material testing and hydrogen-metal interaction
- Alloy design and testing for improved hydrogen embrittlement resistance
 - 20 years with hydrogen embrittlement research
- Test-bed for electrolysis and hydrogen processing
- Metallurgical and heating process development
- Strong network and collaboration with main H₂ related Swedish industry
- Currently, the only research institute in Sweden performing hydrogen gas mechanical testing
- Large investments approved and planned for 2023-2026



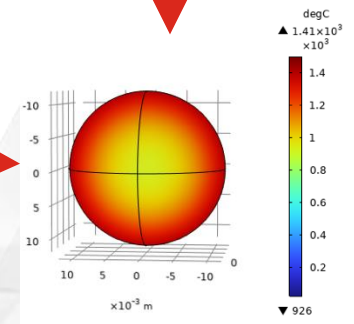
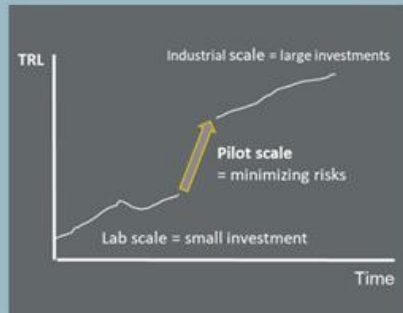
15 år med vätgasmetallurgi

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Varför pilot- och demo?

- Studera kontrollerande mekanismer - labbskala
 - Få variabler
 - Välkända förhållanden
 - Isolera fenomen
- Simulera process – pilotskala
 - Fler variabler
 - Svårt att kontrollera alla förhållanden





Europe's largest facility for gas processing: evaluation, upgrading and re-use of gases



BFG pipeline

Organisation	Gas Supply	Flow to Separation (Nm ³ /hr)	Flow to gas processing (Nm ³ /hr)	Status
Swerim	BFG BOF (2023) Electrolyser LPG	800 for high P 2500 for low P 400 for BOF as required	50 CO ₂ (240 in 2023) 40 H ₂ (100 in 2023) CO ₂ + H ₂ (2023) 100 H ₂ (Electrol.) as required	Investment planned for 2026

TRL 2
0.002 kg

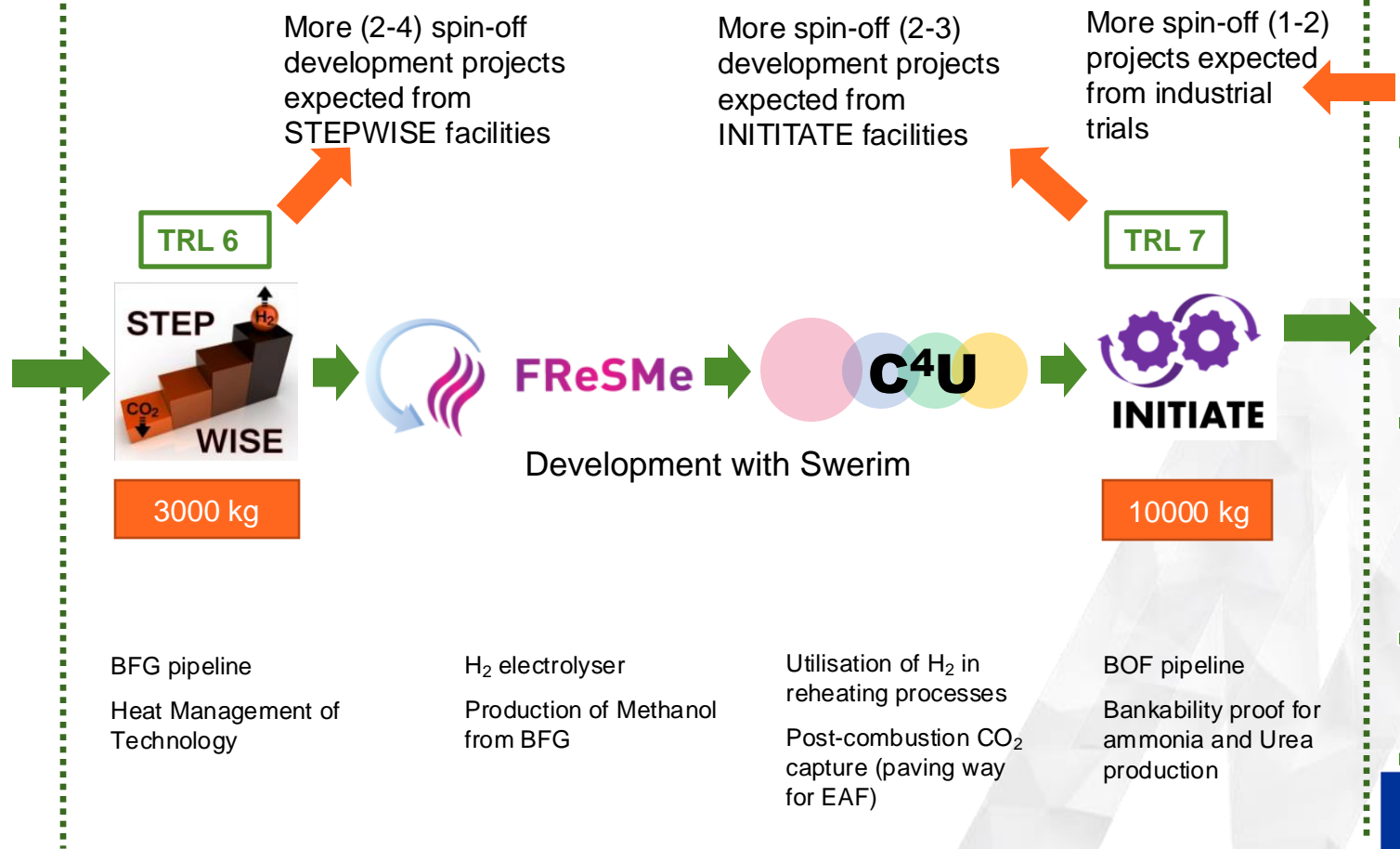
TRL 3
0.05 kg

TRL 4
2 kg

TRL 5
100 kg

Development without Swerim

Gas Processing Technology Platform



BFG pipeline
Heat Management of Technology

H₂ electrolyser
Production of Methanol from BFG

Utilisation of H₂ in reheating processes
Post-combustion CO₂ capture (paving way for EAF)

BOF pipeline
Bankability proof for ammonia and Urea production



EAF-based green steelmaking (10-ton-scale EAF at SWERIM Swerim)



Materials handling



DRI/HBI melting in the EAF



Tapping

Ny Demonstrationshall



- Stort intresse för uppskalnings av tekniker för industriell omställning
- Identifierat behov av ytterligare demonstrationsytor
- Beviljats stöd från ERUF
- Design/förprojektering pågår – ta chansen att riskminimera hos oss!
- Kontakt ida.Heintz@swerim.se

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Lärdomar

- Genomfört flera kampanjer med vätgasinjektion i metallurgiska processer
 - Säkerhetsfrågor
 - Processfrågor
 - Egen produktion och intern infrastruktur
- Buffertkapacitet viktigt vid användning
 - Vätgasproduktion kan variera trots reglerade system
 - Produktion av produkten får inte äventyras
- Efterfrågan på högre vätgasflöden
- Ställs högre krav på analys och mätteknik

Importance of Hydrogen in a Fossil-Free Society

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Photo: Kanthal **KANTHAL**



Energimyndighet rapport, 2023



Photo: Volvo



SCANIA VOLVO

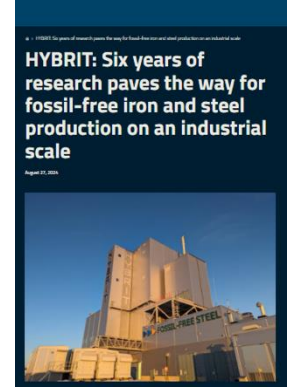
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August, LKAB



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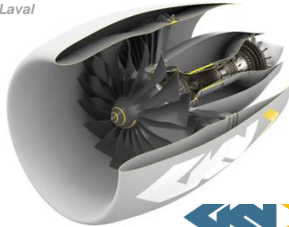


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GKN AEROSPACE



OVAKO

Sweden's largest electrolyser project inaugurated to produce hydrogen for green steelmaking

Ovako's facility in Hofors will use renewable H2 for industrial heat rather than direct iron reduction, in bid to decarbonise downstream steel processing



2023, Photo: OVAKO



SIEMENS energy



Photo: Siemens Energy



Photo: Alleima

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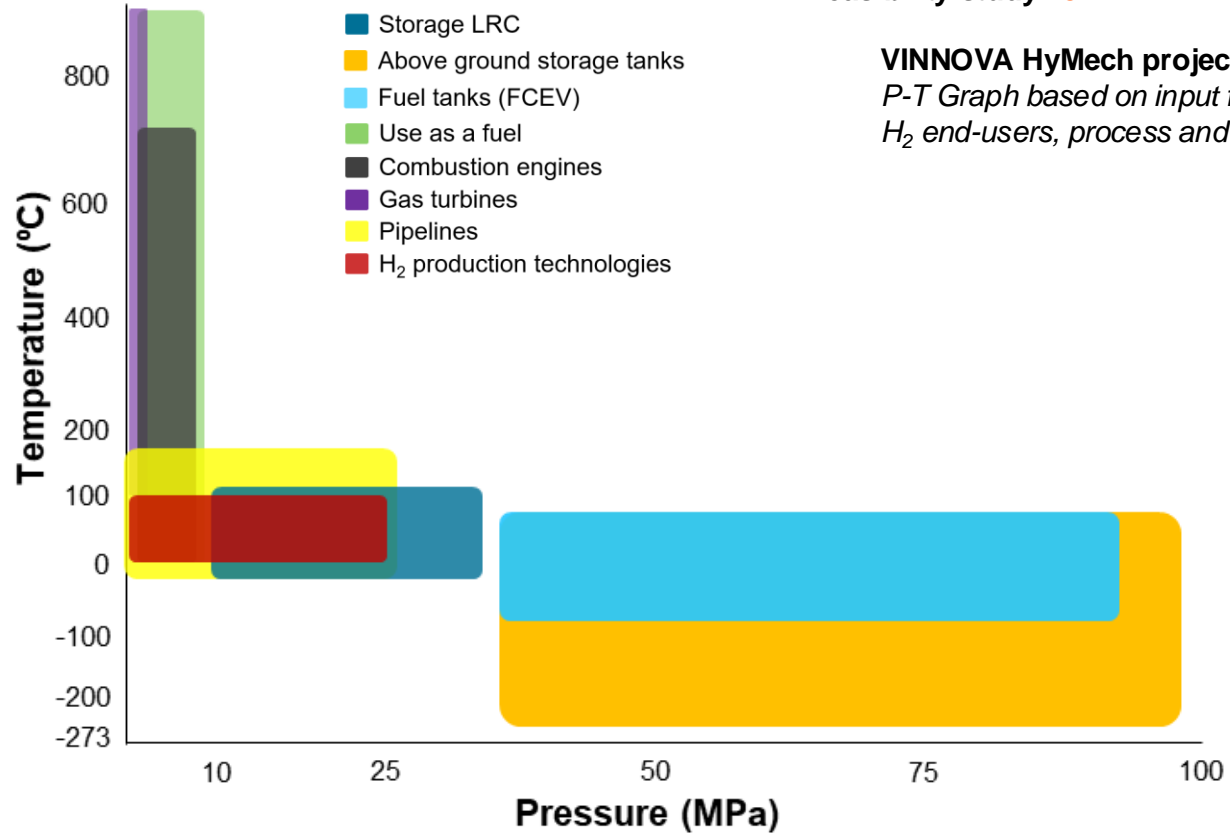
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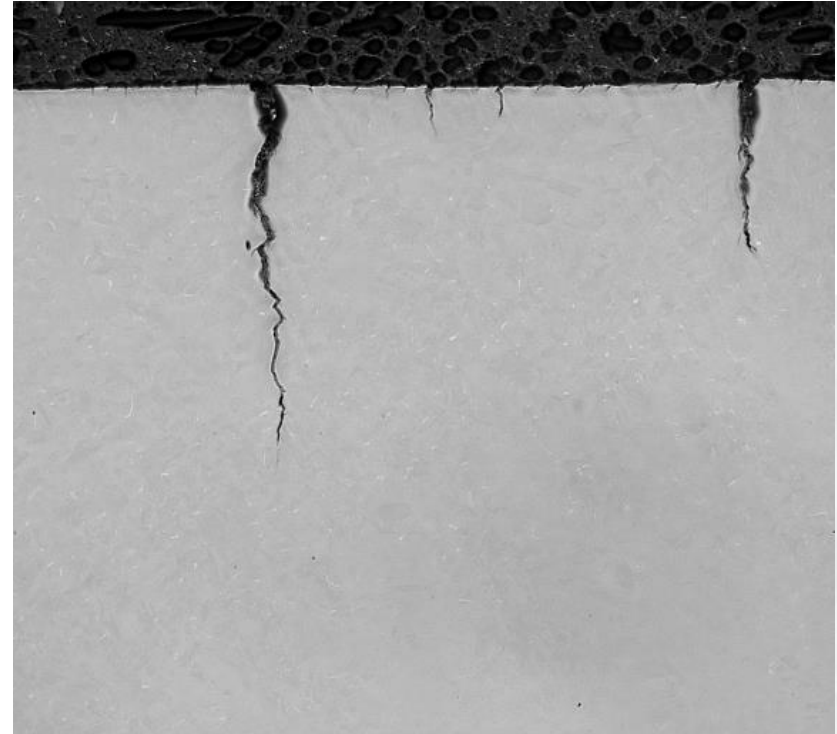
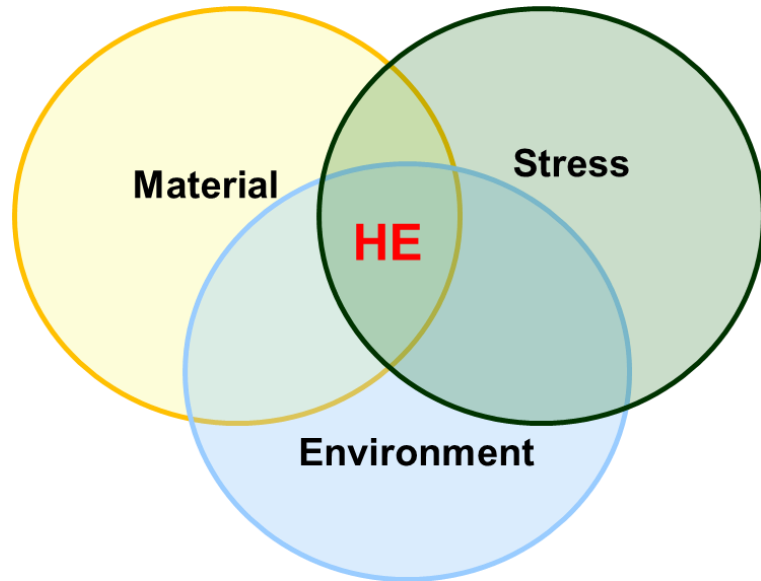
Hydrogen Applications and Their Specific Challenges

Feasibility study 2021:

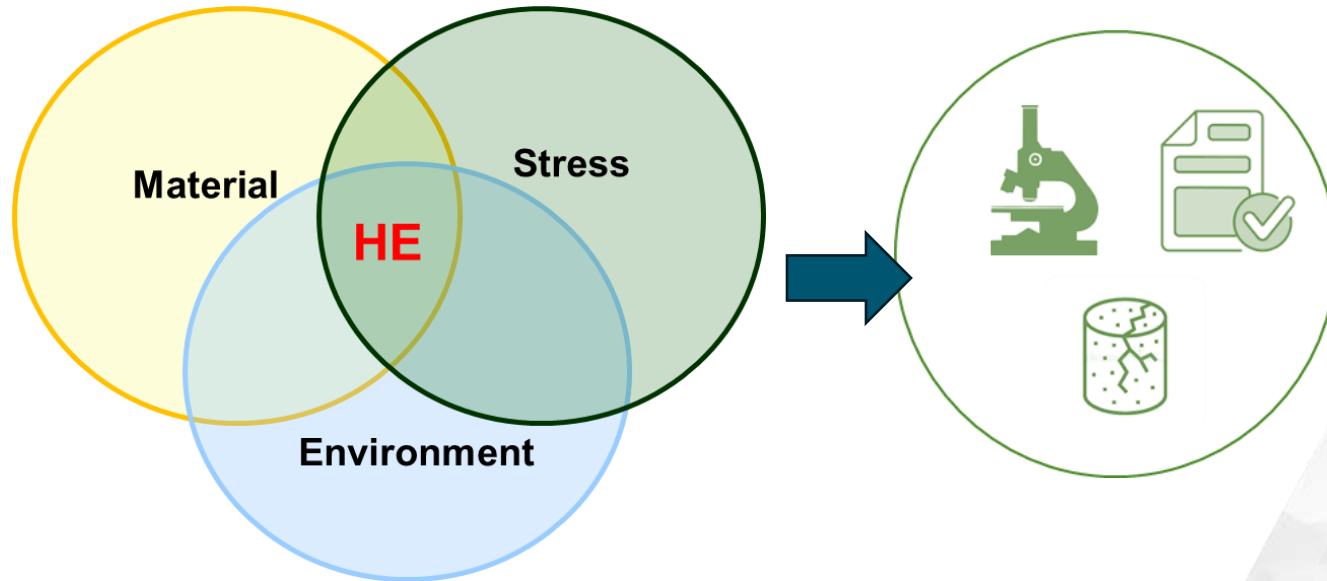
VINNOVA HyMech project
P-T Graph based on input from 15 interviews
H₂ end-users, process and steel industry



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Material testing

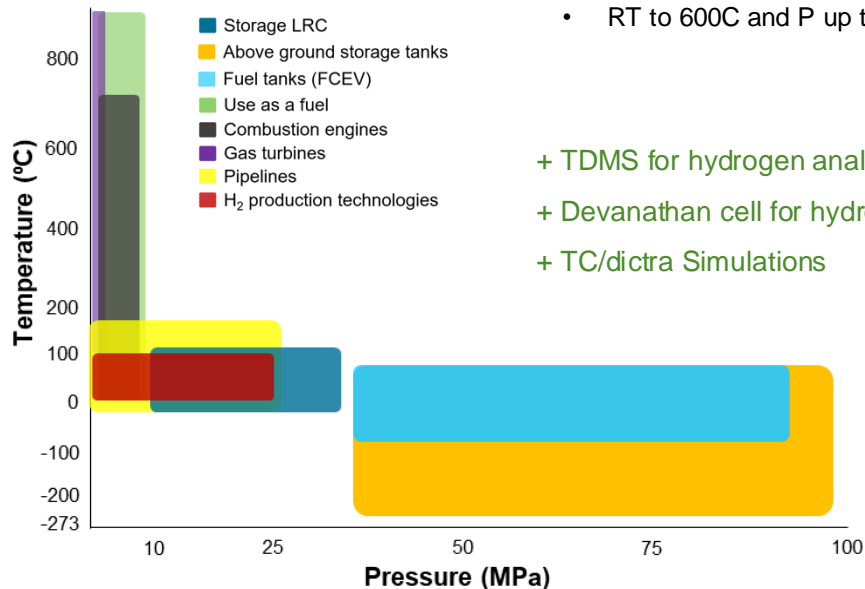
Ensure a safe use
of materials in H_2

Swerim has unique H2 testing facilities in Sweden



Static autoclaves

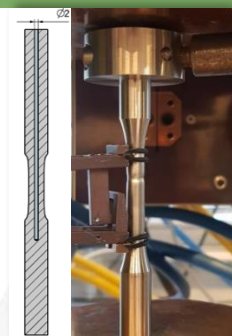
- Thermal gas charging
- H uptake at different conditions
- Effect of trapping sites, surface treatments
- RT to 600C and P up to 300 bars



- + TDMS for hydrogen analysis
- + Devanathan cell for hydrogen permeation
- + TC/dictra Simulations

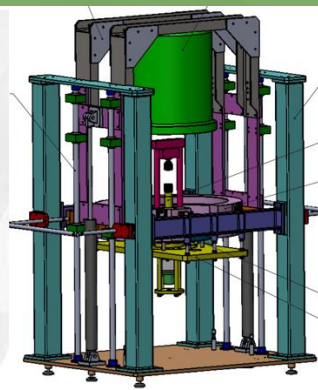
Hollow specimen

- ISO 7039:2024
- SSRT; fatigue
- -150C up to 1000C
- P up to 1000 bars
- Allows FN measurements
- Innersurface: Ra-value max 0.2 μm



Large dynamic autoclave

- P up to 1000 bars
- Temperature -80C to 80C
- Allows fracture mechanics testing (CT, K IC, da/dN)
- HCF; LCF, SSRT
- Testing of welds:yes





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POWER GENERATION
and
HEATING TECHNOLOGIES



TRANSPORTATION



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Materials performance in
H₂ applications

2022-2025

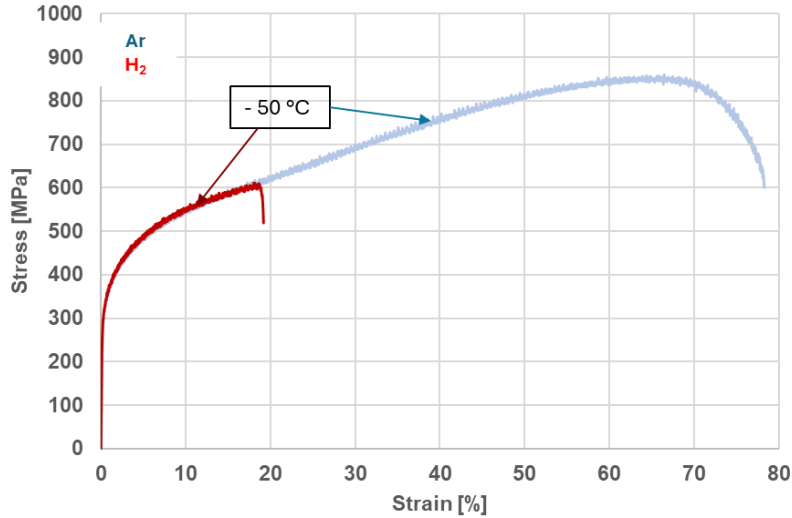
12 partners



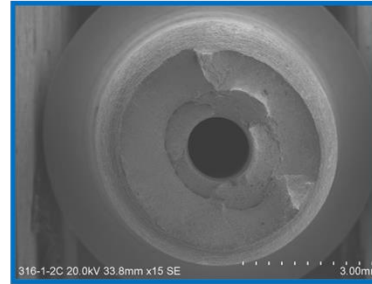
EFFECT OF HYDROGEN GAS ON TENSILE PROPERTIES OF AUSTENITIC STAINLESS STEELS AT SUBZERO, ROOM AND ELEVATED TEMPERATURES

H2 Science, Trondheim, June 2024

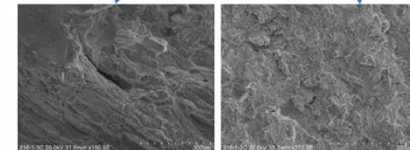
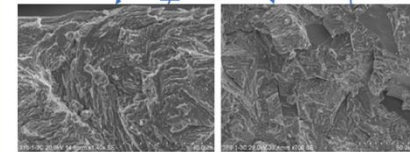
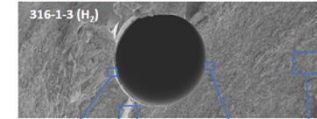
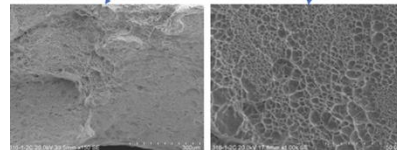
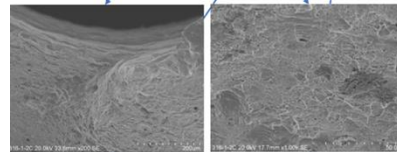
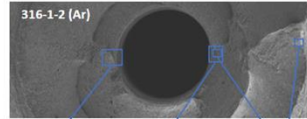
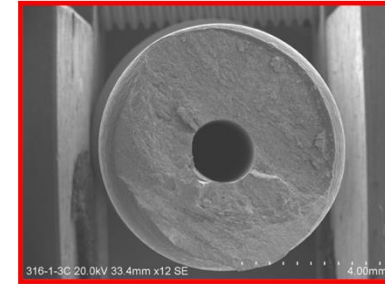
SSRT, Austenitic stainless steel, Ar vs. H₂, 200 bar



Argon, ductile fracture



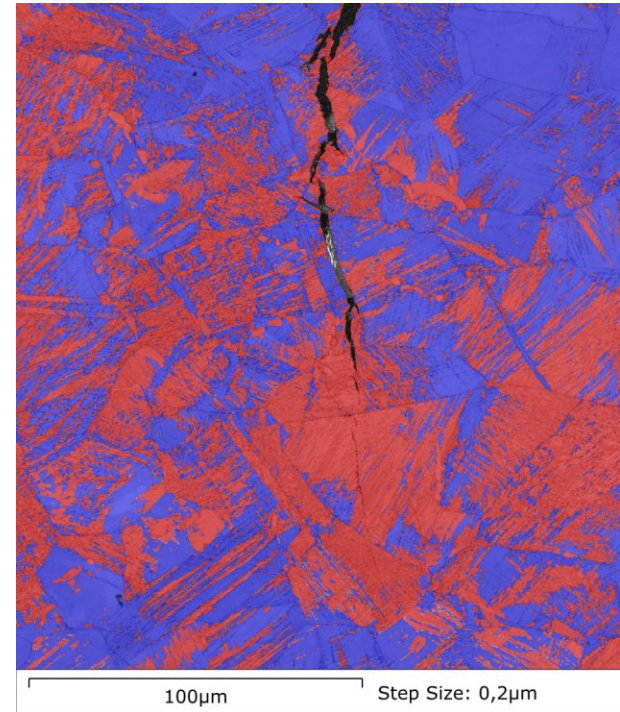
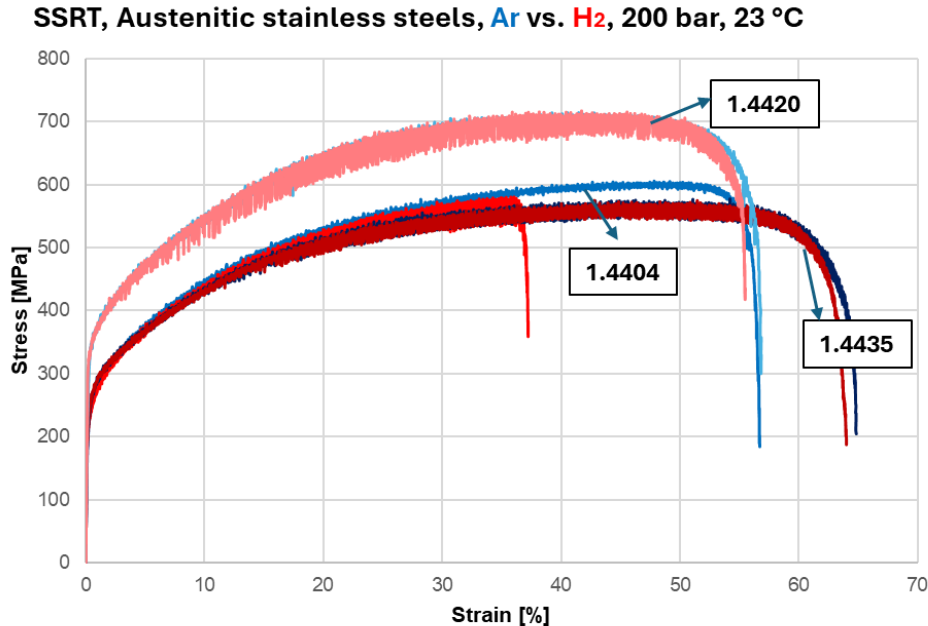
Hydrogen, brittle



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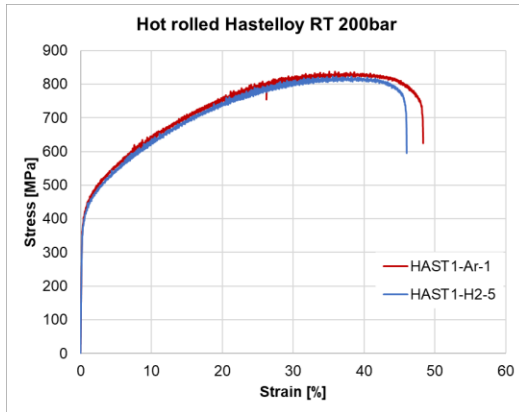
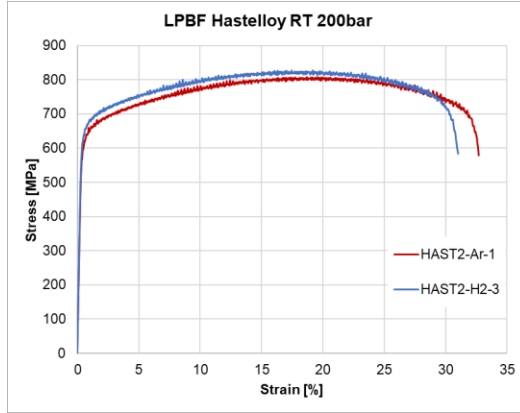
Important to know which grade of stainless steel!

EN 1.4404 vs EN 1.4435 vs EN 1.4420



EFFECT OF HIGH-PRESSURE H₂ AT ROOM AND HIGH TEMPERATURE ON THE MECHANICAL PERFORMANCE OF CONVENTIONAL AND ADDITIVELY MANUFACTURED Ni-BASE ALLOYS

European Conference on Fracture, August 2024



SGT-800 gas turbine from Siemens Energy

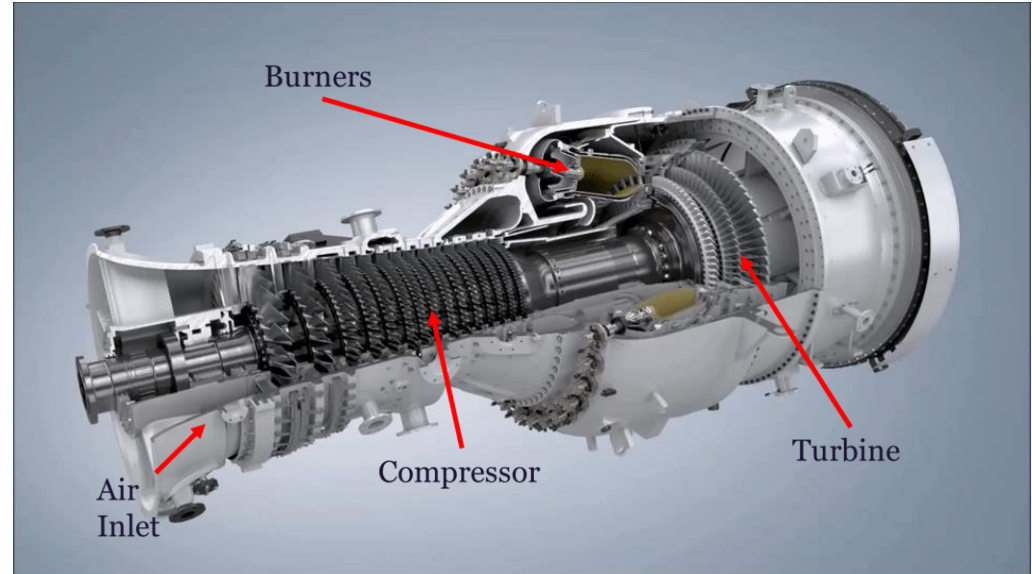


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SURFHY
Surface treatments for improved HE resistance



+ 1 PhD proposal submitted
+ HORIZON/RFCs

HYSTRENGTH
Improved material utilization for more sustainable H₂ applications



STORAGE and TRANSPORT



POWER GENERATION and HEATING TECHNOLOGIES

HydrAM PhD project
Hydrogen embrittlement of advanced AM components

FINAST PhD project
Carbon steels for H₂ storage and transport



TRANSPORTATION

OXELHY
Oxide formation in hydrogen combustion heating

NeXT Center
Neutron and X-ray science for industrial technology Transitions
Microstructure and damage evolution in hydrogen environment

HYMECH II
Materials performance in H₂ applications

Challenges and Collaboration Needs

- Need for **safe and reliable material** performance in hydrogen applications
- **Knowledge gaps** on material behaviour in H₂
- **Evaluation methods** close to service conditions:
 - Hollow Specimen Method / Autoclave method / Thermal gaseous charging
 - Need for Round Robin tests
- **Time constraints:** hydrogen embrittlement is a time-dependent process
- **New standards are needed**





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